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GRIP (FLL-JSC-DFRC) 14Z Daily Telecon / Webinar

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Telecon

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Global Hawk Report

- Aircraft green
 - o Global Hawk is on return flight to Dryden. 9 hr. ferry both ways.
 - o Due for 10 am local landing.
 - Flight good, collected good data from HAMSR (channel 19 issues), HIWRAP and LIP.
 - o Had repeated problems with KU band lost link when too far south.

Droposonde – red

- Have ordered another spring. Doing more tests. Can't guarantee when the test flight will be but shooting for next week.
- May extend GH flights to Oct 7 with full support.
- o Potential science flight when dropsondes become available.
- o Decision on Friday whether to remove HIWRAP and LIP.
- Still worthwhile to fly with dropsondes without other instruments available.
- Re-fly of Low Altitude test flight and high altitude flights in one day.
 Must be a weekday and have a chase plane.
- HAMSR green
- LIP green
- HIWRAP green

WB-57 Report

Aircraft – green

- o Still deciding whether to fly Saturday, 9/25.
- Will they still have tropical storm strength winds in TS Matthew over water?
- o Michael Black, does not see need, storm did not strengthen overnight.
- o Minimal time in storm due to long transit time.
- Also preparing for possible storm early next week and want to be ready for it.

• HIRAD – green

- HIRAD currently has low-wind science with Karl to aid in instrument validation.
- o Hangar use available through 30 September.
- WB-57 approved to extend flights until at least 30 September

• NAST-I still delayed – probably will not take part.

DC8 Report

- Aircraft- green
 - o No fly day
 - o Pack DC8 on Thursday and Friday. Transit home Saturday.
 - Plane will leave FLL at 9 am local tomorrow. Should land 1 pm local in Dryden.
- LASE green
- LARGE green
- APR2 green
- DAWN green
- Microphysics green
 - o CSI cannot fly for the duration of GRIP
- MMS green.
- Dropsonde green

Science

• Need platform scientist reports for GH